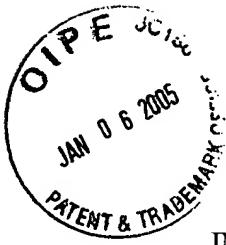


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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 3, 2004, which finds the Amendment submitted by Applicant on November 12, 2004 to be non-compliant, please make the following "Amendments to the Claims" section of record. This section contains a Listing of the Claims containing the same amendments as those presented in the November 12, 2004, revised only to contain the proper status identifiers. Applicant also encloses herewith a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement containing references cited in a recent Supplementary Partial European Search Report.